



DEPARTMENT OF MANAGED HEALTH CARE EXAMINATION ANNOUNCEMENT FOR ASSISTANT CHIEF COUNSEL

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER TO ALL REGARDLESS OF RACE, COLOR, CREED, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, SEX, MARITAL STATUS, DISABILITY, RELIGIOUS OR POLITICAL AFFILIATION, AGE OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION.
IT IS AN OBJECTIVE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO ACHIEVE A DRUG-FREE STATE WORKPLACE. ANY APPLICANT FOR STATE EMPLOYMENT WILL BE EXPECTED TO BEHAVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS OBJECTIVE BECAUSE THE USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE LAW OF THE STATE THE RULES GOVERNING CIVIL SERVICE AND THE SPECIAL TRUST PLACED IN PUBLIC SERVANTS.

DEPARTMENTAL PROMOTIONAL: Applicants must have a permanent civil service appointment with the Department of Managed Health Care as of the final filing date.

HOW TO APPLY: Submit application (Std Form 678) in person or by mail with the Department of Managed Health Care, Attn: Exam Unit, 980 9th Street, Suite 500, Sacramento, CA 95814, telephone (916) 324-7153.

If you have a disability and need special testing arrangements, mark the appropriate box in Item 2. You will be contacted for specific arrangements.

FINAL FILE DATE: July 9, 2007

Application postmarked, personally delivered or received via interoffice mail after the final file date will not be accepted for any reason. Faxed application or resume will not be accepted.

Submit applications only to the above list address. **DO NOT SUBMIT TO THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD.**

NOTE: Accepted applicants are required to bring either a photo identification card or two forms of a signed identification to each phase of the examination.

EXAMINATION DATE: It is anticipated that interviews will be held during July/August 2007.

MONTHLY SALARY: \$8930 – \$10043

NOTE: All applicants must meet the education and/or experience requirements by the final filing date.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Membership in The State Bar of California. (Applicants must have active membership in The State Bar before they will be eligible for appointment.)

AND

Either I

Two years of experience in the California state service performing legal duties* at a level of responsibility equivalent to Staff Counsel, Range D. (Applicants who have completed 18 months of the required experience will be admitted to the examination, but must complete two years of such experience before they will be eligible for appointment.)

Or II

Broad and extensive experience (more than five years) in the practice of law*. (Experience in California state service applied toward this requirement must include the same number of years of qualifying experience as required in Pattern I above performing the duties of a class at a level of responsibility equivalent to that described in Pattern I.)

*Experience in the "practice of law" or "performing legal duties" is defined as only that legal experience acquired after admission to The Bar.

THE POSITION: This position includes responsibility for planning, organizing, directing, coordinating, and reviewing the work of a professional legal staff; acting as legal advisor to top management; preparing legislation and representing the Department before the Legislature; formulating legal policy; and participating as a member of top management in the development and implementation of department policy.

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EXAMINATION INFORMATION: This examination will consist of a Qualification Appraisal Interview weighted 100%. The interview will include a number of predetermine job-related questions. In order to obtain a position on the eligible list a minimum rating of 70% must be attained in the interview. **Candidates who do not appear for the interview will be disqualified.**

SCOPE: In addition to evaluating the candidate's relative abilities as demonstrated by quality and breadth of experience, emphasis in the examining interview will be on measuring competitively, relative to job demands, each candidate's:

A. Knowledge of:

1. Legal principles and their applications.
2. Legal research methods, court procedures, rules of evidence and procedure.
3. Administrative law and the conduct of proceedings before administrative bodies.
4. Provisions of laws and Government Code sections administered or enforced.
5. Principles of public administration, personnel management and supervision.
6. The department's Equal Opportunity Program objectives.
7. A manager's role in the Equal Opportunity Program and the processes available to meet Equal Opportunity objectives.

B. Ability to:

1. Analyze legal principles and precedents and apply them to complex legal and administrative problems.
2. Present statements of fact, law and argument clearly and logically in written and oral form.
3. Draft opinions, pleadings, rulings, regulations and legislation.
4. Hold hearings and independently present difficult and complex cases in court.
5. Plan, organize and direct the work of a staff of attorneys.
6. Effectively contribute to the department's Equal Opportunity Program objectives.

ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION: The list will be abolished 12 months after it is established unless the needs of the service and conditions of the list warrant a change in this period.

Veterans' preference credit is not granted in promotional examinations.

GENERAL INFORMATION

It is the candidate's responsibility to contact the Department of Managed Health Care three days prior to the written test date if he/she has not received his/her notice.

For an examination without a written feature, it is the candidate's responsibility to contact the Department of Managed Health Care, Examination Services Unit, (916) 324-7153 three weeks after the final filing date if he/she has not received a progress notice.

If a candidate's notice of oral interview or performance test fails to reach him/her prior to the day of the interview due to a verified postal error, he/she will be rescheduled upon written request.

Applications are available at the State Personnel Board, local offices of Employment Development Department, Department of Managed Health Care and the State Personnel Board's web site @ <http://www.spb.ca.gov>.

If you meet the requirements stated on this bulletin, you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirements does not assure a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination described on this bulletin will be compared with the performance of the others who take this test, and all candidates who pass will be ranked according to their score.

The State Personnel Board reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service if the circumstances under which this examination was planned. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service laws and rules and all competitors will be notified.

Examination Location: When a written test is part of the examination, it will be given in such places in California as the number of candidates and conditions warrant. Ordinarily, oral interviews are scheduled in Sacramento, San Francisco and Los Angeles. However locations of interviews may be limited to or extended as conditions warrant.

Eligible List: Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) subdivisional promotional 2) departmental promotional, 3) multidepartmental promotional 4) servicewide promotional 5) departmental open 6) open eligible list. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first. Eligible list will expire in from one to four years unless otherwise stated on this bulletin. In the case of continuous testing examinations, names are merged into the appropriate eligible lists in order of final test scores (except as modified by veterans preference credits) regardless of the date of the test and the resulting eligible lists will be used only to fill vacancies in the area shown on the bulletin.

General Qualifications: Candidates must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgement, and ability to work cooperatively with others; and a state health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class. A medical examination may be required. In open examinations, investigation may be made of employment records and personal history and fingerprinting may be required.

Interview Scope: If an interview is conducted, in addition to the scope described on this bulletin, the panel will consider education, experience, personal development, personal traits, and fitness. In appraising experience, more weight will be given to the breadth and recency of pertinent experience and evidence of the candidate's ability to accept and fulfill increasing responsibilities than to the length of his/her experience. Evaluation of a candidate's personal development will include consideration of his/her recognition of his/her own training needs; his/her plans of self-development; and the progress he/she has made in his/her efforts toward self-development.

High School Equivalence: Equivalence to completion of the 12th grade may be demonstrated in any one of the following ways: 1) passing the General Educational Development (GED) Test; 2) completion of 12 semester units of college-level work; 3) certification from the State Department of Education, a local school board, or high school authorities that the candidate is considered to have education equivalent to graduation from high school; or 4) for clerical and accounting classes, substitution of business college work in place of high school on a year-for-year basis.

**California Relay (Telephone) service for the deaf or hearing impaired:
From TDD Phone 1-800-735-2929 From Voice Phone 1-800-735-2922**